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UN Planes Blast Red Positions LIMITED GAINS BY TROOPS

Industrial Strategy Simpson To The Rescue

Tokyo, Feb. 27.

United Nations planes streaked ahead of the mud-bogged central front ground forces today and blasted new Communist lines with bombs, shellfire and jellied gasoline.

An Eighth Army communique said that air strikes yesterday hit concentrations of 3,000 to 5,000 entrenched enemy troops in the Yongduri area, about 15 miles west-northwest of Hoengsong and about 30 miles south of the 38th Parallel.

Heavy concentrations of Reds—probably Chinese—in that area and stubborn resistance elsewhere, particularly along the front leading westward to Seoul, were taken as a possible indication of the Red determination to hold there while building up forces for a possible counter-attack.

Planes flew through clouds, rain and high winds today to renew attacks on these forces and against the remnants of 11 North Korean divisions still pulling back toward Changdo in east central Korea.

General MacArthur's Tuesday morning communique said the UN assault forces made limited gains on the central front on Monday. He said the UN forces west of Hoengsong ran into determined enemy resistance.

North of Pyongyang, where the North Koreans are withdrawing to escape entrapment, the South Koreans made substantial gains, the communique said.

TANKS KNOCKED OUT

Enemy tanks were reported on the east central front for the first time on Monday and fighter planes reported that they knocked out two of them. Air men reported that four Communist tanks were seen 12 miles north of Pangnim.

A combat team from the Seventh Division advancing in the Pangnim area fought through a Red trap two miles west of the town and reached a point five miles west of Pangnim mid-afternoon. The Reds had buried mines in muddy rutted roads and they had to be dug up before vehicles could advance.

United Nations troops on the east central front were warned to be ready for hurricane winds from 40 to 60 knots during Tuesday.

The Eighth Army communique said air reports estimated that an enemy division is due in the general area three miles northeast of Hoengsong. This would be approximately on a



Conference On Raw Materials

Washington, Feb. 26.

The assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, Willard Thorp, today opened the first committee meeting to be held within the framework of the new International Materials Conference which will discuss international collaboration to prevent a shortage of essential materials in non-Communist countries.

Mr. Thorp, on behalf of the United States Government, made a short speech of greeting to representatives of the first committee of the new organization which is concerned with copper, zinc and lead.

The 12 nations of the first committee are: Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, Germany, France, Italy, Mexico, Norway, Peru, the United Kingdom and the United States.

S'pore Gloom Over Rubber

Singapore, Feb. 26.

It was learned today that Red-China's rubber purchases in Singapore through Hongkong agents fell sharply because it was believed that the Hongkong government will clamp down on the re-export of rubber to China.

This, coupled with a number of other bearish factors cast gloom over the rubber market. They are:

1. Shipments to America committed for March were far below normal figures.
2. From March and April rubber estates are very much less overvalued in their forward transactions. April forward sales were practically nil.
3. Russian buying which started at the end of last week proved very moderate and shipments will continue only up to April and May.
4. Against Australia's purchases very little freight space

Russia Expected To Agree To Talks

Paris, Feb. 26.

The French government expects Russia's reply to the three Western powers' note suggesting a four power Deputies' conference here on March 5 within the next two days.

An informed French source who said this belief is based on a telephone call to the French embassy in Moscow this morning, added: "There is reason to speculate that the Russians may agree to the meeting."

MISSION THAT FAILED

Montreal, Feb. 26.

The Agriculture Minister, Mr. James Gardiner, returned empty-handed from Britain today after trying to obtain food contracts and Canadian wheat money from the British Labour Government.

He said he found most of the British attitude "a little difficult to understand" and had indicated to Socialist leaders that the Canadian Minister down "would be pleased" to continue the talks. Mr. Gardiner told reporters the talks were "very friendly" but had failed to produce:

1. More money for wheat which Canadian farmers had been selling to Britain at a loss.
2. Any new food contract, although "it would judge from discussions that Britain would like to get some cheese and bacon from Canada."

STOP PRESS TEST THRILLS

Australia 89 for 4

A crowd of 25,000 saw early thrills when Australia started their second innings 103 runs in arrears.

The weather had become cooler and cloudier. Ten minutes after the start of the innings, Morris was out. Five had been scored when Bedser's second over he tried to hit the ball hard round the corner, missed and was lbw. This wicket had come from the third ball of the over.

Bedser had another from the seventh, for Burke, now part of the first side where Hutton spun sideways to make a wonderful catch. Two wickets for six runs and Bedser two wickets for two.

At the other end, Bailey was bowling but for the time being with only half a run and at three-quarter pace. Presently, however, the run lengthened and the pace increased. What few runs there were came mostly from him.

Bedser continued to set Hassett and Harvey problems with his perfect length and late swing and once beat Harvey all ends up, without hitting the stumps. Only five runs had been scored off him.

At 88, Harvey went, being lbw to Wright, and one run later Miller, who had not opened his score, was caught and bowled by Brown. Miller suffered the same fate off the same bowler in the first innings.

THE SCOREBOARD

Australia (1st innings) 217

England (1st innings) 27

Hutton, b. Hole, 77
Simpson, b. out, 143
Compton, c. Miller, b. Lindwall, 11
Brown, c. Tait, b. Miller, 11
Evans, b. Miller, 11
Bailey, c. Lindwall, 11
Wright, b. Iverson, 8
Tattersall, not out, 6
Extras, 10
For 9 wickets, 263

AUSTRALIA 109-4

Half an hour before close of play Australia had scored 100 for 4. Hassett not 89, Hole not 8.

For 9 wickets, 263

COMMENT OF THE DAY

New And Solid Unity

THERE is every reason of logic and common interest for close co-operation between France and Italy. The two countries are linked not only by geography but by old bonds of history and culture. They form a natural and complementary trading area. They have similar political problems. The sense of "Europe" is strong in them because of all nations they are most deeply rooted in the tradition we call Western civilisation. The ersatz character of the Rome-Berlin axis, forged by two dictators to prop up each other, was never so evident as in the instinctive turn of Rome to Paris when the artificial tie was broken and the Government of the new Italian Republic made reconciliation with France the first aim of its policy. In the past five years efforts on both sides to establish a Franco-Italian customs union have achieved some success, but the results in the economic field are not so striking as the progress of the two Governments toward political collaboration. Paris and Rome are closer today than they have been, and they are united especially by their desire for the unity of Europe and their support of every attempt to bring it nearer. Their Foreign Ministers, Schuman and Sforza, may be said to be the leading "Europeans" on the Continent, and the two Governments are the pillars of the European movement. The growing partnership was sealed in the meeting of top officials that ended recently at Santa Margherita. When the story of these eventful years is written, it may well be that the two outstanding developments will be the formation of the trans-Atlantic community—E.C.A. merging

into NATO—and the organisation of a new Europe on the divided remains of the old. In this process the ever-widening agreement between France and Italy is an important step. The communique issued by Premiers Plevin and de Gasperi shows how broad the basis of agreement is. The two Governments are pledged to co-ordinate their action on such vital national policies as the fight against internal Communism, the rearmament programme, their attitude toward Germany. They will hold periodic consultations to decide on a common line of foreign policy. Italy will support the French plan for a European army, in which Germans will be incorporated in small units but with full equality in political and economic councils. This is by far the most comprehensive plan of co-operation entered into by any two European Governments. Following the Schuman Plan, now going forward after an interval of uncertainty, it is another evidence that France is resolved to assume the leadership of the Continent. Up to this point the French have prevailed in winning acceptance of their view on the armistice of Germany. In co-operation with Italy, they are now creating a counter-weight before the question of German unity is settled or German strength becomes an actual factor in the European balance. The next move will be for France and Italy together to seek German co-operation in a united Europe. The plan is on the grand scale, and it is being pursued in the best tradition of a diplomacy that has long been lacking either in the Quai d'Orsay or anywhere else on the European scene.

Super Carrier To Be Built

Washington, Feb. 26.

Congress sent to the White House today legislation authorising the construction of a 60,000-ton aircraft carrier capable of launching long-range planes capable of launching atomic bombs.

The Senate passage complicated Congressional action.

The measure, approving US\$2,358,000,000 in Navy construction, was passed by a voice vote in the same form in which it cleared the House.

Senator Byrd told the Senate the huge but carrier will cost US\$212,000,000 and said the Joint Chiefs of Staff unanimously favour the project. Associated Press.

MYRNA LOY TO MARRY

Washington, Feb. 26.

Friends of actress Myrna Loy and Howard, 37, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs, said on Monday they will marry soon after Easter.

They have been associated in work with the State Department and UNESCO (The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) and were fellow delegates to a session in Florence, Italy, last May.

Miss Loy has been married three times. Mr. Sargent, a Dartmouth graduate and Rhodes scholar, once before. Associated Press.

TOO ILL FOR HIS TRIAL

Leeds, Yorkshire, Feb. 26.

Dr. Narayana Das Chopra, 60, Indian-born steel magnate, will be unable to face trial at Leeds Assizes tomorrow on charges of fraud as he is in hospital recovering from a serious illness.

He is expected to be tried during the Yorkshire spring Assizes which start here in April.

Dr. Chopra, former Chairman of Darwins Limited, a Sheffield Steel Works, has to answer 14 charges of fraudulent application of property.

More than £14,000 is said to be involved.

He was admitted unconscious into University College, London, on Friday. Reuters.

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Political Crisis In Holland

The Hague, Feb. 26. Queen Juliana of the Netherlands renewed her efforts today to end the five-month-old Dutch Cabinet crisis after negotiations broke down over the week-end. She called in Parliamentary Party leaders in an effort to find a basis for a coalition government to end the crisis, which began when the Socialist Premier, Dr. Willem Drees, handed in his resignation in the dispute over Western New Guinea and Indonesia. Political sources said that, since the failure of the Catholic leader, Maximilien P. L. Steenbergh, to form a government last week, the Queen had talked with leaders of both Houses of Parliament but as the talks failed, she said today, she had announced no choice for the premier designate. It was believed she would choose another Catholic leader, possibly the Parliamentary chief, Karal Homme.—United Press.

Petards Thrown In Madrid

Madrid, Feb. 26. University students in Barcelona, continuing their rioting against increased tram fares, today threw petards into the streets. The police made many arrests. The University buildings were closed today and all classes were suspended. The police believe that the riots were organized by people outside the University.—Reuter.

Treason Sentence To Stand

Washington, Feb. 26. The Supreme Court today refused to review the treason conviction of Robert Best, a former newspaperman, who was sentenced to life imprisonment for his wartime broadcasts over the Nazi radio.—United Press.

Churchill Returns To The Attack In Battle Of Atlantic

London, Feb. 26.

New shots were fired today in the new "battle of the Atlantic," started by the appointment of an American Admiral as the Supreme Commander of the Atlantic Pact naval forces.

Heligoland "Invaders" Captured

Hamburg, Feb. 26. Two British officers and 14 German police today removed seven Communist "invaders" from the North Sea Island of Heligoland, where they had landed on Friday.

The Communists were all that remained of a party of 20 who sailed to the former U-boat base to protest against the Allied use of the island for practice bombing.

A representative of the Free German Youth Movement, to which they belonged, alleged here earlier today that they were machine-gunned by an unidentified bomber on Friday.

He told reporters that soon after his arrival, the bomber had first dropped six bombs from 10,000 feet altitude. There were no casualties.

The Royal Air Force Headquarters in Germany announced today that a British bomber bombed and strafed the island on Friday, about 2.00 p.m. GMT. It added that the crew of the plane, which took off from an airbase in the British Isles, reported on its return that they had seen nobody on the island.

Britain told West Germany today that she would give up Heligoland as a bombing target by March, 1952, an official announcement said here today. The former German island fortress and North Sea submarine base has been a practice target for British and American heavy bombers since the end of the war.

A heavy force pulverised the island in one of the last raids of the war and since then it has been uninhabited.

The Federal Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, promised he would co-operate in finding an alternative target site and in preventing demonstrations on the island.—Reuter.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, after considering vigorous protests, told the House of Commons that the British Government still supported the choice of an American.

He tried to calm the troubled waters stirred up by Mr. Winston Churchill, the Opposition leader, on this matter last week by announcing that a British Admiral would be in sole command of all naval operations in British home waters.

But the American—Admiral William F. Halsey—would be in overall command. Mr. Churchill said he would add the new statement by the Prime Minister—but might find it necessary to force a debate.

It looked at this point as if the battle had been broken off for the time being. But then Mr. Churchill's chief lieutenant, Mr. Anthony Eden, raised the question of who would decide on the movements of warships in the Atlantic.

Mr. Attlee said he thought it was "quite essential" that the Atlantic Supreme Commander would have power to transfer forces from one Atlantic area to another.

This brought Mr. Churchill sailing back into the attack. "Nothing like that ever existed in the late war and never could have been accepted," he declared.

"Our life depends upon the maintenance of our sea approaches, whereas, though the United States may suffer a great deal her life is in fact not so affected," he declared. Mr. Attlee said that the forces at sea under the Atlantic Pact would not be an exclusive British fleet in the Western Atlantic or an exclusive fleet in the Eastern Atlantic.

TWO AREAS

These matters were under the general direction of the Standing Group of the Atlantic Pact and it was proposed to give power to the Supreme Commander. The area which would be under the Supreme Commander would be the North Atlantic Ocean, excluding the Mediterranean, and British and European coastal waters. Mr. Attlee said that the North Atlantic would be split into an eastern and western area. The eastern would be vital for Britain, would be under the command of the British Commander-in-Chief, Home Fleet.

In time of war, he would command not only British forces but also those of America and other Atlantic Pact countries stationed in the area. The last war had shown that it was important to have an overall Supreme Commander in the North Atlantic.

It was one battlefield in which the mobile threat of the submarine must be matched by a flexible defence system. There must be a quick re-dispatching of forces to meet the shifting threat.

MATTER OF SIZE

In considering the nationality of the Supreme Commander, the Government had had to consider the relative sizes and potential reserves of the navies and air forces of the various Atlantic Powers. Despite Britain's great naval traditions, she could not alone undertake the defence of the North Atlantic. Mr. Attlee added: "The Government are satisfied that in time of war the proposed arrangements will ensure both the defence of these islands and the fullest participation of all the North Atlantic powers over the whole of the North Atlantic Ocean."

In peace no British ships or planes would be put under the Supreme Commander—except for periods of combined training which would be necessary. Answering questions, Mr.

Attlee said the appointment of a Supreme Commander in the Mediterranean has still to be considered. Britain herself would control the allocation of her merchant fleet. Questioned whether the name of a British Admiral had ever been put forward for the Supreme Command, Mr. Attlee said that the principle was decided before individual names were proposed.—Reuter.

Pleven Expected To Go

Paris, Feb. 26. Black pessimism about the French Government's prospects of surviving the electoral reform debate to be resumed tomorrow afternoon characterised Ministers of all parties as they left a four-hour Cabinet meeting presided over by the Prime Minister, M. Rene Pleven, tonight.

No agreement was reached, it was learned, between the Radicals who insist on a two-poll voting system and the Popular Republicans who insist on a single ballot. Asked whether "a dose of penicillin" could still save the Government, the Minister of State, M. Paul Giacobbi, in charge of the Electoral Reform Bill, told reporters after the Cabinet meeting, "It would have to be a lot of penicillin."

M. Albert Gazier, Minister of Information, said that the Cabinet had reached no agreement about what attitude to take about the controversial clauses of the Electoral Reform Bill if the Assembly tomorrow voted in favour of debating this bill. The decision on whether or not to debate the bill has been made a matter of confidence by the Government but a vote in favour of the Government would commit nobody to the bill's provisions.

A full Council of Ministers, presided over by the President of the Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, will meet tomorrow morning to deliberate once more on the issue. Should the Cabinet be unable to decide to take sides for or against the two-poll system, the Popular Republicans or the Radicals may declare that it is not worth opening the debate on the Government bill and the Government might very well fall tomorrow afternoon.—Reuter.

Cultural Centre Closes Down

Prague, Feb. 26. The French Institute in Prague, a teaching and cultural centre which includes a lending library of French books, has closed its doors. An announcement in French and Czech, posted outside the Institute's doors this afternoon, said: "The Institute is closed until further notice."—Reuter.

TRIES TO REALISE HITLER'S DREAM

London, Feb. 26. Military authorities here say they believe the Russians are trying to realise Adolf Hitler's dream and build a submarine that can bombard New York.

Hitler, backed by his Goebbels chief, Heinrich Himmler, wanted a super-submarine built with a platform for launching V-3 type rockets as part of the "vengeance weapon" programme that blitzed London with super-sonic rockets and flying bombs.

After the war, Allied planners discovered that such a weapon was being considered by German naval experts with one main target in view—to drop rockets into New York City while lying off the coast.

Reliable sources now believe engineers familiar with those German plans are among the German rocket and submarine experts helping Russia's ambitious submarine programme.

Also, they said, recent disclosures that the Russians have developed apparatus for launching radio-directed, guided missiles from battleships has jarred Western experts into realising that the Russians may be further ahead on their seaborne guided missile programme than was realised.

Military sources said submarines equipped with rocket launching platforms would be the "logical tactical answer to American air superiority."—United Press.

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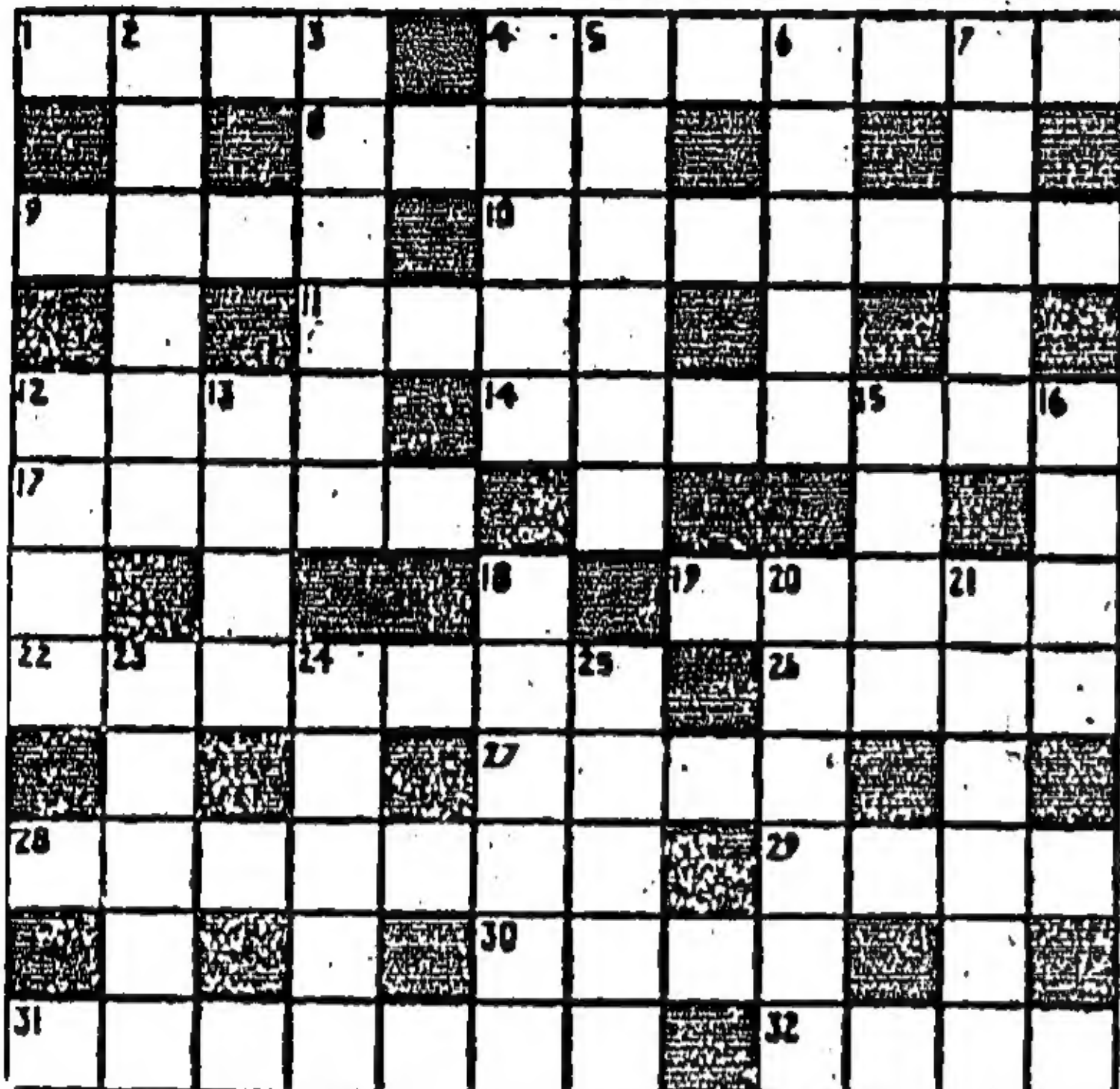
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 - Assembly.
 - Slip.
 - Torture.
 - Keep ahead.
 - Conceal.
 - Nautical machine.
 - Accusatory.
 - Obstinate.
 - Master.
 - Engle.
- DOWN
- Transfix.
 - Solemn promise.
 - Wrong.
 - Plek.
 - Fool.
 - Banish.
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 - Assert.
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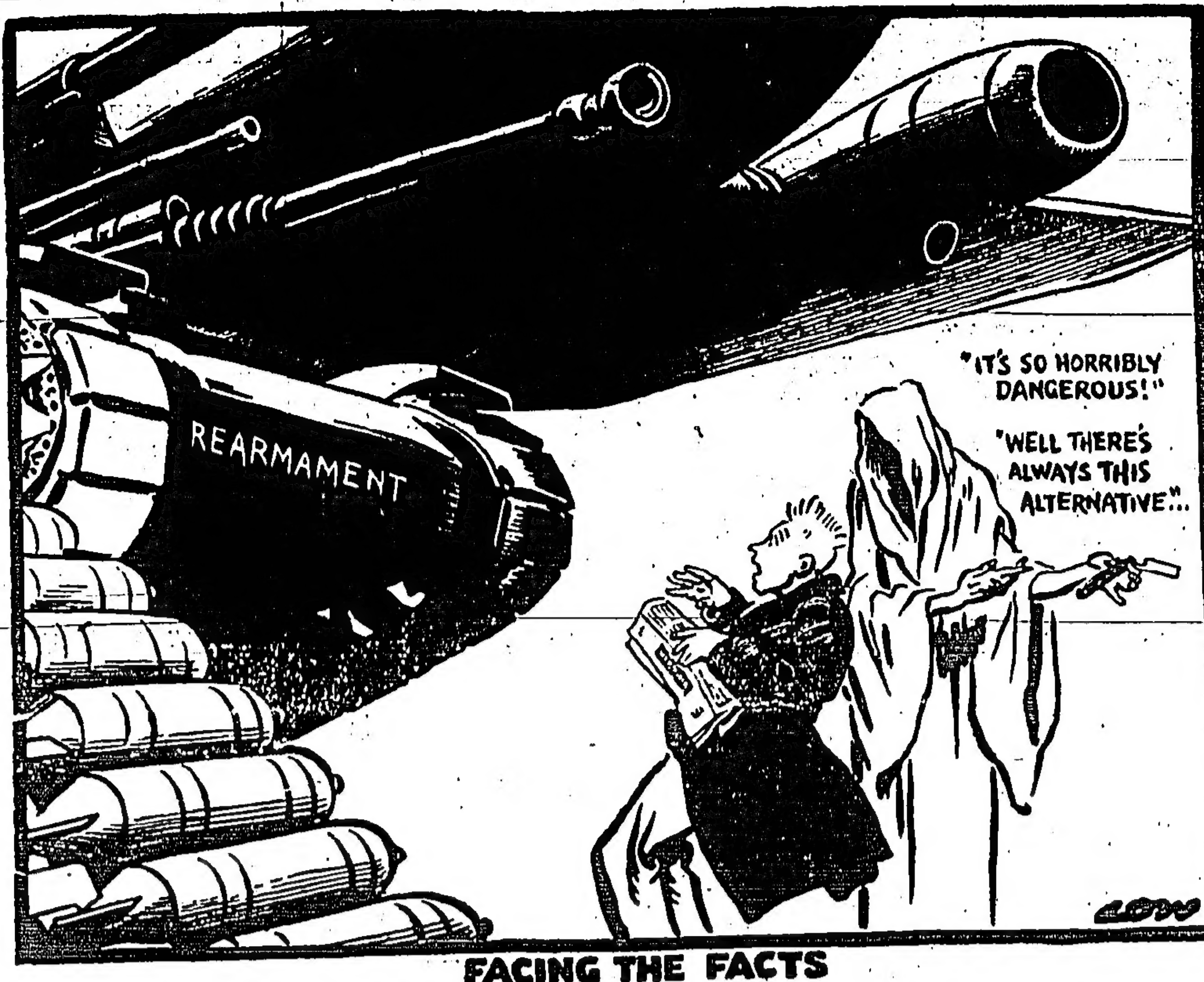
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These are the questions he asked.

From Frederick Cook

New York.

DO you get headaches? Dr Henry D. Ogden, of the Louisiana State University School of Medicine, put that question to 4,634 people. And from 3,005 (65 per cent) of them came the answer "Yes."

Dr Ogden has been making one of the first comprehensive studies to determine who does and does not have headaches. He has just reported his discoveries to the American Academy of Allergy* in New York.

By occupation he reported the following headache percentages:

Medical students, 85.
Students, 80.2.
Executive, 77.3.
Professional workers, 70.8.

Housewives, 69.8.
Clerical workers, 68.2.
Salesmen, 58.9.
Manual labourers, 55.1.
Farmers, 50.

Incomplete figures showed that 66 percent of all lawyers get headaches, but only 45 percent of all doctors.

It was in 1946 that Dr Ogden became interested in the problems of headaches.

"I found," he said, "that headaches were often associated with nasal allergy. There is a definite relationship between headaches and the presence of respiratory troubles, including colds, sore throats and allergies such as hay fever and asthma."

The survey revealed:

Few people suffer with headache more than once a week. But more than one percent have daily headaches. There is a known family history of headache in 29 percent of all people reporting headaches themselves.

Headaches do not follow any particular season. (But among those reporting a seasonal relationship summer predominates).

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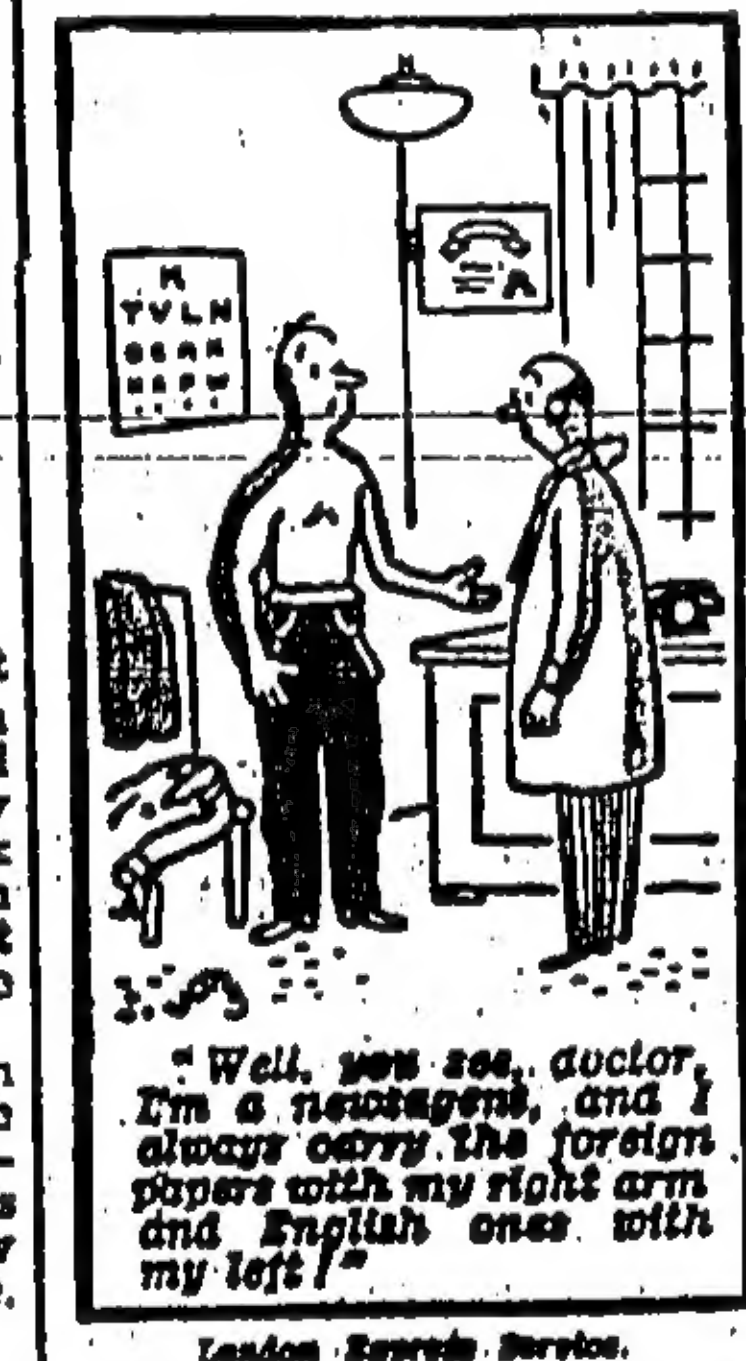
At least 60 percent say there is no particular time of day for onset of headache. A good number have headaches on awakening. About three people in four report that headaches last less than six hours.

Dr Ogden noted that 50.7 percent of males have headaches compared with 71 percent of females. The proportion of single people having headaches was significantly higher, of married and widowed people significantly lower. Sixty-one percent of married people have headaches, 70 percent of the unmarried.

Nearly 60 percent of the 20-year-olds interviewed said they had one or more headaches a week. Only 28.9 percent of those over 60 reported one or more a week.

* ALLERGY—excessive sensitivity of the body to certain substances.

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SEFTON DELMER visits Stalin's Branch Offices—No. 2

The dangerous men
don't wave red flags

ROME. In these last few years I have met many able men—and women—whose job it is to trace and unravel the network of conspiracy which Moscow has been spreading over the world.

None of them, however, has impressed me as much as the tall, laughing Mephistopheles of a Frenchman whom I found myself facing in his obscure Paris office.

I cannot tell you his name because it was one of the conditions of his receiving me that I would not reveal his identity.

"I believe," he said, "that we may be concentrating far too much attention on the Communist Party as such."

"I am certain that a part of its activities and perhaps quite a substantial part, is deliberately directed by Moscow to divert our attention from their genuine saboteurs."

"They are playing the bull-fighting game with us dangling the red rag of Communist agitation before our eyes so that we do not notice the sword which is to kill us."

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THIS MAN

—Signor Pacciardi, Italian Defence Minister
TOLD ME: 'Right here in my Defence Ministry there is a Communist cell on every floor... We know them... We watch them... and we use them'



Still many...

TODAY an effort is being made, rather half heartedly it seemed to me, to eliminate known Communists from positions where they could do damage.

But it is slow and pusillanimous and there are still many Communist-appointed directors, managers, technicians, and foremen in vital industries.

The chief industries where they are to be found, I am told, are the armaments industry (particularly in the nationalised aviation factories), in transport and communications, in railways, telegraphs, radio, telephones, in mines and the building trade.

The police authorities I spoke with in France assured me that the French police force is now cleared of the Communists originally recruited to it from the resistance movement.

The army claims the same for its officer corps down to the rank of lieutenant-colonel. But M. Mephistopheles is not so sure. "We are always turning up little surprises," he said, "even in the police and in the army."

"Then this thirde part represents the Communist Party and the rest the agents who never appear as Communists attend no Communist meetings, never talk about Marx or Lenin or Stalin, but are nevertheless working all out for the triumph of Moscow and the subjugation of the West."

He pointed to the thin end. "And this is the greater danger." From what I have heard and seen on this trip I am pretty sure that he is right for both France and Italy.

In times of peace we need be not nearly as afraid of a coup by the organised Communist railway workers or postal clerks or radio technicians as from specially trained Soviet saboteurs sent in for the purpose.

For the Russians have already started a special training school down in the southernmost Asiatic province of the Soviet Union in Turkestan.

It is called the Institute 103, and here Soviet instructors put young Frenchmen and young Italians who have never appeared as Communists, through the paces which they will have to take in the case of serious action.

The danger from this type of agent is particularly great in France for here in the early

the Russians might break right through to the Atlantic, there are many non-Communists in France and Italy who are afraid of incurring the enmity of the party by non-cooperation let alone opposition.

I heard of the case of a public prosecutor in a town in Northern France who is refusing to indict a murderer because the man is a member of the Communist Party. And several Paris socialists told me that they were afraid of their colleague who was a Communist.

One of the main dangers from these collaborators-through-fear, as also from the Communist-appointed directors, managers and foremen, is that they will provide the cover for the Soviet agents sent in from Tashkent, either by employing them or by pretending to employ them, or doing them some other service.

They will provide these men with the papers and the lodgings needed to fool the French police, just as they provided them to fool the Germans during the war.

Mastered

IN Italy, oddly enough, I found greater confidence that the problem of the Communist Fifth Column and the Tashkent commandos had been mastered.

And that despite the fact that Italy is the home of the largest Communist party in the world, and that even today whole provinces are under

It includes the amateur Sir Walter Raleigh, who was good at almost everything from piracy to poetry but did not trouble to be quite first-class at anything.

It includes the National Gallery of British Sports and Pastimes, which prompts this comment:—"If any corpse attract artists now, it is those of fish, not of stage." The vast "hard-scapes," once so dear to the Dutch artists and sustained to some extent by Landseer's survey of the day's slaughter, have been replaced by modest essays of "still life" or, more accurately, of death. In these days single salmon does most of the work.

And it includes his parish church, which prompts him to condemn the "messiness" of a Christianity that begs people to

come in, instead of telling them fiercely that they are fools to stay out.

But besides his fancies Brown gives us facts—the Clerken and Camber really were wells from which Londoners drew their water—that there really was a Southwark prison called Clink, that Macmillan's rejected A. E. Houseman's "Shropshire Lad" on the advice of their reader, John Morley, that when Shakespeare wanted a large whisky he had to ask for a double "usquebaugh."

I quarrel with only one of Iver Brown's judgments. After quoting Betjeman's lovely, nostalgic poem on St. Saviour's, London, N., he says: "After that there is no more to be said about Highbury."

Obviously his tastes are not yet catholic enough to take in professional football.

what amounts to a Communist administration.

But Defence Minister Randolph Pacciardi has no misgivings.

I believe he would be reasonably frank with me because I have known him since those days of 1937 when he was commanding the Communist Garibaldi Brigade, and I saw him put Mussolini's division to light in the battle of Guadalajara.

I told him how a young Communist cell leader had that morning shown me his puce call-up papers for the army. I suggested to Pacciardi that he might find quite a number of Communists infiltrating into his new army as a consequence of this call-up.

"Yes," said Pacciardi. "We know all about them. Eighty to ten percent of our intake of recruits are Communists. But, believe me, they don't remain Communists for very long."

"As for our officers, they have to go through the most careful screening before even being admitted to the officers' schools."

Pacciardi claimed that he has the Soviet under-cover agents well taped. "Right here in my Ministry I know there is a Communist cell on every floor."

by J. P. W. MALLALIEU, M.P.

London Without Arsenal!

MOST of us who live in cities have blind minds. We see without perceiving. We glance but never stare. We are too busy to be wise.

But it is possible that Iver Brown's latest book, *Windsor in London* (Collins, 12s. 6d.), may re-create us, may stimulate our dulled senses.

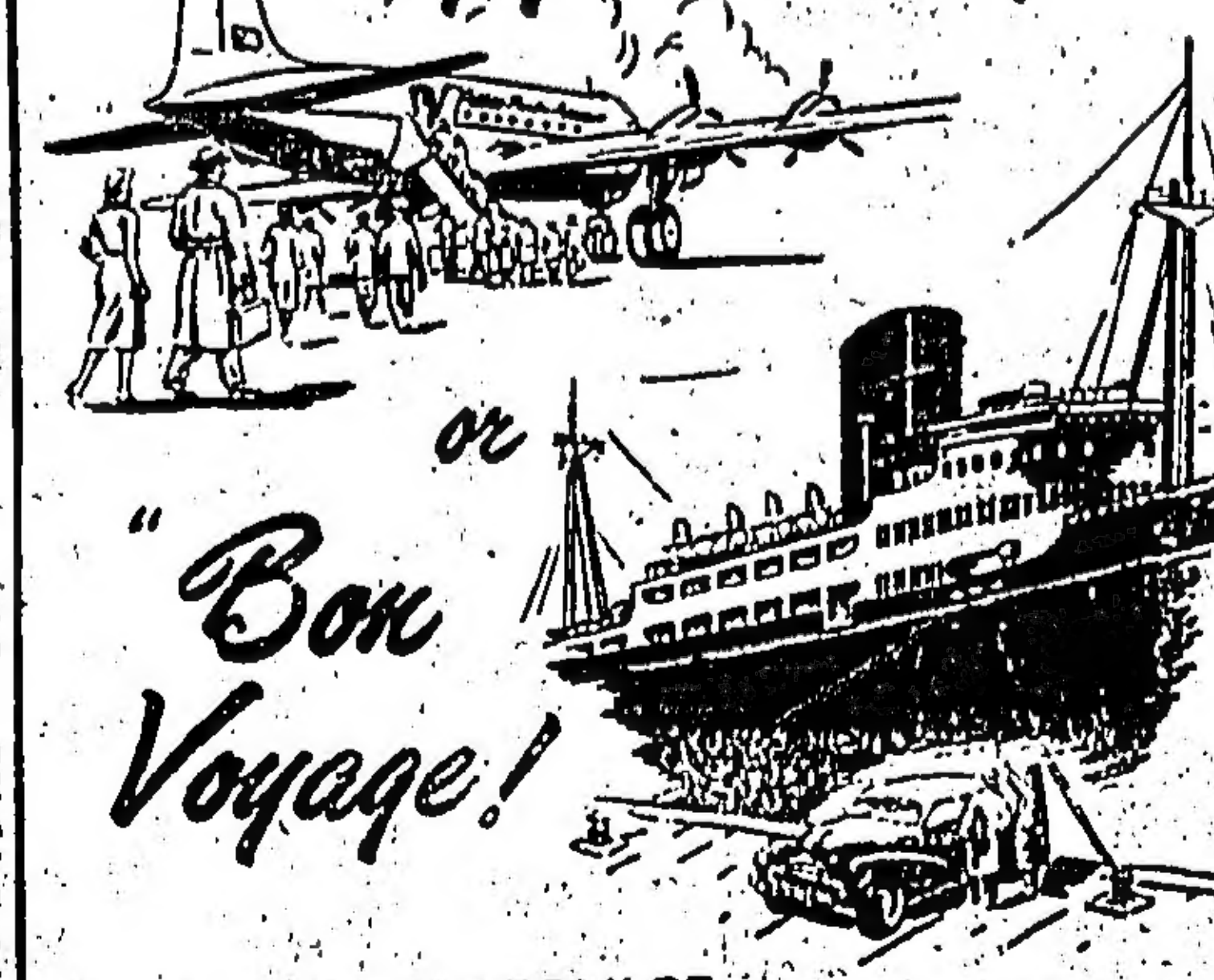
This book is a calendar, of seasons not of days; it is a guide book to fancies more than to places; it is a diary of mellowed memory rather than of fresh event.

It shows what London is to a man of catholic taste. It shows what London or other great cities could be to us.

Brown's London includes the professional Joe Davis, who after 20 years of undisputed championship, still notes any error in his snooker and analyses it later.

And it includes his parish church, which prompts him to condemn the "messiness" of a Christianity that begs people to

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By "ARGONAUT"

Amateur Cup
HENDON PLAY WIMBLEDON IN FOURTH ROUND

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Feb. 26. Hendon Football Club, who will shortly be undertaking a trip to Hongkong, will play Wimbledon on Saturday in the Fourth Round of the FA Amateur Cup at Wimbledon.

The winners of this tie will meet the Combined Oxford and Cambridge University side, Pegasus, at Highbury on March 17.

Wimbledon qualified for the right to meet Hendon today when they defeated Tooting in the third replay of their third round tie.

Scottish Cup Draw

London, Feb. 26. The Scottish Cup fourth-round draw, made today, resulted as follows: Ayr United versus Motherwell.

Amberley versus Hibernian, Dundee versus Rath Rovers, Celtic versus Aberdeen.

Ties are to be played on March 10.—Reuter.

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The Sale of Cash Sweep Tickets on the above will close at:

THE BRANCH OFFICES:
382 Nathan Road — Kowloon,
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5 D'Aguilar Street — Hongkong,
at 4.00 p.m. on 27th February, 1951.

THE TREASURERS' OFFICE —
TELEPHONE HOUSE
at 5.30 p.m. on 27th February, 1951.

The Draw will be held at the Public Betting Hall, the Race Course, at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, 28th February, 1951.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS
ANNUAL RACE MEETING

Saturday 24th, Wednesday 28th February and
Saturday 3rd March 1951

The First Bet will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 Noon, each day. The fifth interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are eleven races each day (33 in all). The "Pearce Memorial Cup" is scheduled to be run on the Second Day, Wednesday, 28th February, Race No. 6 at 3.30 p.m.

Through Tickets at \$60.00 each may be obtained at the Comptroller Office of the Club, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup", the sale of which will close at 5.00 p.m. on Tuesday, 27th February.

Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 23rd February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at:—

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong
or
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

SETS OF MEMBERS' AND LADIES' BADGES WILL NOT BE ISSUED FOR THE 1951 RACING SEASON UNTIL 1ST APRIL, 1951. 1950 SETS ARE VALID UNTIL THEN.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all club dues.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING.

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Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to leave the Members' Enclosure except for passing through their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

BY ORDER,
S. A. SLAP,
Secretary.

WEMBLEY LIONS WORK OUT



Defence breaks up an attack in a strenuous workout by the Wembley Lions in preparation for the re-opening match at the Empire Pool, London, against the rest of England, which will take place next month.—Express Photo.

"RAPIER" Surveys Tomorrow's Chances:

LONDON 17 SHOULD WIN THE PEARCE MEMORIAL CUP

Tomorrow, the second day of the Annual Race Carnival under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club, should attract a record gathering of racing enthusiasts to the Valley. Another programme of 11 events will again be contested.

The Pearce Memorial Cup will naturally form the main attraction and the Mammoth Cash Sweep will be decided. This race was won by Kentucky Lady owned by T. C. last year, and there will undoubtedly be keen competition among the owners to carry off the coveted honour tomorrow afternoon.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE

Valley Stakes (First Section):
Six Furlongs

The programme opens with a race for the first section of 1951 Australian Subscription Ponies, winners barred.

The finish should be fought out between Crackerjack (Mr. Holgate), Concord (Mr. Maitland), Half Moon Bay (Mr. Chen Poo) and The Lioness (Mr. Cook).

In view of its second placing in the Hopeful Stakes (Second Section) on the first day, Crackerjack should be strongly fancied to win, leaving Concord and Half Moon Bay to dispute second place. The Lioness, which was unplaced on Saturday, may do better here than one may expect.

SECOND RACE

Eastern Handicap: Six Furlongs
In this race for Australian Ponies Class 1A over this distance Panda (Mr. C. L. Gregory) is the obvious choice for the first position.

It is thought that Ben Wyvis (Mr. Black) is the only other pony among the entries to give it a challenge.

For those who are looking for an outsider, I suggest High Speed (Mr. Ostroumoff).

Bashful Beauty (Mr. Kwok) should not be overlooked.

THIRD RACE

Encouragement Handicap (First Section): One Mile

The ponies to watch in this race are Wonderful Girl (Mr. Renfrew), Norse Lady (Mr. Chung), Ironside (Mr. Ostroumoff), and Sisker (Mr. Phi).

Wonderful Girl is my choice, and I think it should win, but Norse Lady is not to be ignored.

Ironside did not impress in its last outing but may do better tomorrow.

Sisker is a slow starter and Phi will have to do some hard riding if he expects to be anywhere near at the finish.

FOURTH RACE

Valley Stakes (Second Section): Six Furlongs

This is another sprint race, and judging from its second placing in the Hopeful Stakes (Fourth Section) on Saturday, Ironside (Mr. Ostroumoff) should win, unless something out of the ordinary happens.

Lia Fa (Mr. Renfrew), which was second in the above race first section, should have no difficulty in taking second place.

For the third position Kentucky Lad (Mr. T. L. Wong), Chinese Mackerel (Mr. Holgate) and Killarney (Mr. Boycott) should fight out the issue.

FIFTH RACE

Jockey Club Handicap (First Section): One Mile

This event will be contested by Novice jockeys on Class 6 Australian ponies. Amazing (Mr. T. B. Dau) won the Windy Gap Handicap (Second Section) over the two mile post at the Third Race Meeting when carrying 150 lbs for Class 8 ponies with Mr. Holgate up and for this afternoon its weight is down by 6 lbs. I think it should win again as the distance is shorter.

There are Canadian Palato (Mr. Lam King Tak) and Good Luck (Mr. Tsang), to be reckoned with, as these two ponies are also good over this distance, although they have not won a race for quite some time.

Strathpeffer (Mr. Auchinle) should not be disregarded as it is quite capable of causing an upset here.

Possibility (Mr. Chun Kit) and Prince Delight (Mr. Yen Ching-Lan), are also good enough to extend the above ponies.

SIXTH RACE

Pearce Memorial Cup: One Mile

As a result of Saturday's racing, London 17 (Mr. Hay) looks to have the best chance of winning this race tomorrow.

There was not one pony running on Saturday that looked as it could give London 17 a run for his money.

The probable starters for this race are:

Century (Mr. Boycott)—on his running on Saturday in the Hopeful Stakes (Third Section) I think he will be lucky if he places.

Straight Flush (Mr. Ostroumoff)—this pony won the Hopeful Stakes (Fifth Section). It has a very strong finish and certainly impressed the fans. Personally I think if any pony will give London 17 a run this is the one.

Gold Medal (Mr. Kwok) won the Hopeful Stakes (Fourth Section), but I do not think he is in the same class as the former ponies.

Easy Money (Mr. K. F. Chiu) won the Hopeful Stakes (First Section). I do not think the distance will suit him and will probably finish as an also ran.

Norseman (Mr. Maitland) did not make an appearance on Saturday on account of leg ailment, but should it weigh out it is a very good outsider.

SEVENTH RACE

P. & O. Cup: One And A Quarter Miles

Australian Ponies Class 2 will "fight" out the issue here and I don't think I will be far wrong in stating that Shannon (Mr. Ostroumoff) has the best recommendation for the premier position.

Golden Dragon (Mr. Shieh) may prove dangerous with Duchers Delight (Mr. Liu) also having a say in the matter.

Atman (Mr. Brodie), in view of its fine gallop over the mile on Saturday, February 24 in 1.58—last quarter 27 seconds—will probably attract fairly good support.

EIGHTH RACE

Valley Stakes (Third Section): One Mile

Among the ponies that are running this event, Inspiration (Mr. Black) has the best recommendation for a win.

Jericho (Mr. Maitland) is known to move fairly fast over a short distance and may turn out to be a dangerous proposition.

The third position will be fought out between Filibuster II (Mr. Tao) and Red Rabbit (Mr. K. F. Chiu).

NINTH RACE

Jockey Club Handicap (Second Section): One Mile

In this race, for the second lot of Australian Ponies Class 6, the likely winner should come from among United Victory (Mr. Holgate), Kentucky Moon (Mr. Maitland), Flying Arrow (Mr. Renfrew) and Countess Delight (Mr. C. F. Ng).

United Victory, judging from its run during a morning gallop on February 14, over the mile which it completed in 1.58, with a last quarter of 23.2 seconds, should have no difficulty in winning this race.

Kentucky Moon is the only danger, otherwise I cannot see anything to touch it.

Flying Arrow cannot expect to do better than third place and Countess Delight (Mr. C. F. Ng) is good as an outsider.

TENTH RACE

Valley Stakes (Fourth Section): Six Furlongs

This is another sprint event in which Dynamic View (Mr. Phi) should be prominent at the finish.

In view of the opposition it should not be fully extended, except perhaps by Copper (Mr. Ostroumoff).

Mustang (Mr. Holgate) should be placed and Cinderella (Mr. Chen Poo) may be worth following as an outsider.

ELEVENTH RACE

Encouragement Handicap (Second Section): One Mile

The final race of the day will be contested by the second section of Class 9 Australian ponies. There is not much to choose from among the entries, although it would seem that the finish should be fought out between Trigger (Mr. Holgate) and Henrietta (Mr. Auchinle).

Trigger won the Trial Stakes over this distance at the Totalisator Trial Race Meeting for Class 10 ponies.

As the race will be contested over the mile tomorrow, I consider it is more to the liking of Trigger than Henrietta.

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FA Cup Draw

ROVERS MAY YET KILL A GIANT

London, Feb. 26.

Bristol Rovers, Third Division (South) team which cost only a total of £350 have again been given the giant killer's task in the Football Association Cup.

If they win the sixth round re-play on Wednesday against Newcastle, whose spending spree on star players once earned them the sobriquet of the "Bank of England" team, they entertain the star-studded Sunderland side or Wolverhampton Wanderers, former Cup winners, in the semi-final.

Both these First Division sides are formidable opponents. Sunderland's centre-forward, the Welsh International Trevor Ford, cost them nearly 10 times that of the whole of the Bristol team.

Yet the Rovers are full of confidence after their great display at Newcastle on Saturday and with 10 games in the Cup behind them this season they may make football history by becoming the first team from the Third Division to reach the final.

There is the possibility of an all-Midlands final between Wolverhampton Wanderers and Birmingham.

The match between Birmingham and Blackpool must be considered very open after Birmingham's fine performance in beating Manchester United last Saturday.—Reuter.

THE DRAW

"London, Feb. 26.

The draw for the semi-finals of the Football Association Cup, made today, resulted as follows:

Bristol Rovers or Newcastle versus Sunderland or Wolverhampton.

Birmingham versus Blackpool.

The Birmingham versus Blackpool Cup semi-final will be played on Manchester City's ground at Maine Road on March 10.

It is understood that the other semi-final venue will be chosen following the sixth round re-play on Wednesday.

The Council has appointed Mr. William Ling of Cambridge,shire, to referee the FA Cup final at Wembley on April 28.

Mr. Ling has refereed international matches in Stockholm, Antwerp, Madrid, Glasgow and Dublin.—Reuter.



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India And The Pakistan Rupee

Bombay, Feb. 26.
The Reserve Bank of India today announced the extension of exchange control to Pakistan.
From tomorrow the Pakistan rupee will be treated as a "foreign currency" for all purposes of financial transactions and would be subject to restrictions imposed by foreign exchange regulations, the Bank said in a communiqué.—Reuter.

Wall Street Keeps On An Even Keel

New York, Feb. 26.
Gains for a few favorites kept the stock market on an even keel today.

Demand centred on selected automotive, aircraft and utility shares. There were scattered declines. Copper mining issues were lower. Trading was at a slow pace. Benguet Mining was the 14th most active issue, closing down 1/4 at 1 1/4. American Telephone, helped by its report of record 1950 earnings, pushed forward more than a point. International Telephone also advanced on active dealings, along with American Cable and Radio which it controls.

Chrysler led the automotive list with an extreme rise of more than two points. Others higher included Consolidated Vultee, Boeing, Westinghouse Electric, Johns Manville, American Cyanamid and Santa Fe. Some radio television shares went higher in late buying.
Backward were Youngstown Sheet and Tube, U.S. Steel, Standard Oil, American Smelting, Kennecott, Anaconda Copper, Dow Chemical, Montgomery Ward and Southern Pacific.
Rail stocks barely moved.
Dow Jones averages:
20 Industrials 253.18
15 Rails 86.30
10 Utilities 43.77
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—Associated Press.

Grain Price In Chicago

Chicago, Feb. 26.
Prices of grain futures closed here today as follows:
Wheat—price per bushel:
Spot 2.18
March 2.17 1/2
May 2.16 1/2
July 2.15 1/2
September 2.14 1/2
December 2.13 1/2
Corn
Spot 1.27 1/2
March 1.27
May 1.26 1/2
July 1.25 1/2
September 1.24 1/2
December 1.23 1/2
Soybeans
Spot 1.54
March 1.53 1/4-1.53
May 1.52 1/4
July 1.51 1/4
September 1.50 1/4
December 1.49 1/4
—United Press.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Feb. 26.
World sugar futures closed today 16 to 22 higher, with sales totalling 528 contracts.
Contract No. 6 closed today 6 to 8 higher, with sales totalling 385 contracts.
Prices closed today as follows:
Contract No. 4 (world)
March 5.20 nominal
May 5.23 traded
July 5.25 traded
September 5.33-5.34 traded
Spot 5.34
May 5.51 bid
July 5.54 traded
September 5.56 bid
Spot 5.56
—United Press.

Credit Expansion To Be Curbed

Washington, Feb. 26.
President Truman today directed Federal financial agencies to seek agreement on ways to curb private credit expansion while maintaining stability during the pending agreement.

Mr. Truman said, "I hope that no attempt will be made to change the interest rate pattern, so that stability in the government security market will be maintained."
The President asked the Government financial leaders to consider the necessity of using powers in the Emergency Banking Act of 1933 "to curtail lending by member banks of the Federal Reserve System."
The Secretary (of Treasury) could, by regulation, delegate the administration of this programme to the 12 Federal Reserve Banks, each to act in its own Federal Reserve district under some flexible procedure. The programme could be extended to institutions other than member banks, if desired, by using the powers provided by the trading with the Enemy Act.
The Presidential memorandum was directed to Secretary of the Treasury John Snyder and Chairman Thomas McCabe of the Federal Reserve Board, agencies which have split over the issue of raising interest rates on long-term Government bonds as an anti-inflation move and to Defence Mobilization, Charles E. Wilson, and Chairman Leon D. Keyserling of the Council of Economic Advisors.
Mr. Truman said it is imperative that stability in the Government security market and confidence in the public credit be maintained at a time when the Government will be financing the billions of dollars of Government securities which will come due later this year.
—Associated Press.

U.S. Orders Drastic Cuts In Use Of Rubber

Washington, Feb. 26.

The National Production Authority today announced it will reduce or eliminate the use of natural rubber in about 40,000 products on March 1.

The agency handed to representatives of the rubber industry a 32-page printed list specifying the percentage of natural rubber which may be used in civilian and some military products.

Smaller size passenger car tyres were cut to an average of 15 percent and larger sizes to 22 percent. This compared with about 25 and 35 percent natural rubber in current tyre output.

Use of any natural rubber was barred for most toys, passenger tyre tubes, re-treading material, most bottle stoppers, washing machine wringers, and dust pans.

The use of natural rubber is limited to 85 percent in golf balls, 10 percent in baseball centres, 81 percent in tennis balls, and 53 percent in indelible athletic balls such as footballs and basketballs.

Manufacturers were directed to make the "minimum" possible use of natural rubber in a long list of items ranging from gold aircraft tyres to moccasins, girdles, dress shields, baby bottle nipples and baby pants.

Mr. Leland E. Spencer, NPA's Rubber Director, told reporters the order will hold civilian consumption of natural rubber and latex to about 30,000 tons a month. This compares with 35,000 tons anticipated use in February.

THE OBJECTIVE

However, total use of rubber, including synthetic, will be about 90,000 tons in March. This is an increase of about five per cent from February and will result from increased output from synthetic rubber plants.

The order is designed, Mr. Spencer said, to conserve natural rubber for stockpiling, armaments, and industrial items for which demand will increase as the mobilisation programme advances.

The specifications were designed to have the least possible effect on quality of goods, sold, Mr. Spencer added. "Little if any change should result, in appearance, performance or safety," he said. — Associated Press.

Report On The Wool Situation

Washington, Feb. 26.
World wool production in 1950-51 was estimated at 4,000,000 pounds on a grease basis, an Agriculture Department survey said. This means an increase of 140,000,000 pounds over last year and two percent higher than the 1936-40 average of 3,860,000,000 pounds, the Department said.
The Department saw little chance for increased wool stocks or drops from the record price levels and prices are likely to remain high for the remainder of the current season.

World supplies of wool during the present season have been smaller than last season, since a slight increase in world production has not been sufficient to offset the lower stocks at the beginning of the season. World demand for wool is expected to increase still further as a result of defence activities in a number of countries. — United Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

The volume of business transacted on the Stock Exchange this morning was \$255,990.50. The half day's business and noon closing quotations were as follows:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES
BANKS
HSK Bank 127 1/2 129 00 @ 1290
East Asia 100
INSURANCES
Canton 253 123 @ 653
Union 2.90 3.20
Underwriters 2.90 3.20
SHIPPING
Asia Nav. 65 c. 1000 @ 75 c.

DOCKS, ETC.
K. Wharf 70 44 @ 70
N. Pl. Wharf 5 1000 @ 5.10
D. Dock 12 1/2 12 1/2 @ 12 1/2
Wharfedale 2 1/2 3 500 @ 20.25
Yangtze 500 @ 1.50

LAND, ETC.
HK Hotel 6.70 6.95
Humphreys

UTILITIES
Y. Tram 12 1/2 1000 @ 12 1/2
250 @ 12 1/2
600 @ 12 1/2
500 @ 12 1/2

Star Ferry 53
C. Light (O) 5.95 6 1/4
C. Light 23 1/2 23 1/2 @ 23 1/2
(Bonus) 5.90
Electric 22 1/2 22 1/2 @ 22 1/2

STORES, ETC.
Daily (New) 12
Watson 22
L. Crawford 21 1/2
COTTONS
Ewo 2.55

The Rubber Markets

New York, Feb. 26.

At the close, bid prices were unchanged to off one hundred points. The lower primary markets and the persistent unwillingness of buyers to boost their price ideas were unsettling influences in both the futures and spot markets. The open contracts in the futures market at the start of trading totalled 134 contracts, including 74 lots for March delivery, 40 for May and 20 for July, all of ten tons each. The open position must be liquidated by March 31, according to a directive issued by the General Services Administration.

"Prices closed" today as follows:

Spot March 75.00
March 75.00 bid
May 77.00 bid
July 81.00 bid
—United Press.

S'PORE MARKET

Singapore, Feb. 26.
Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows:

Number 1 rubber, per lb.
February 226-227
March 221-222
Number 2 rubber, per lb.
February 218-219
March 213-214
Number 3 rubber, per lb.
February 205-206
March 200-201
Number 4 rubber, per lb.
February 195-196
March 190-191
Spot rubber, unbleached, per lb.
No. 1 pale crepe 140-145
No. 1 pale crepe 140-145
—United Press.

LONDON MARKET

London, Feb. 26.
Prices of rubber futures closed here today as follows:

Number 1 rubber, in cents
per lb. 71-72
March 71 1/2-72
July/September 69-70 1/2
October/December 68 1/2-69 1/2
—United Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Feb. 26.
The tin market closed today at the morning session barely steady. Turnover was 50 tons, including 15 tons for spot.

Prices closed today at the end of the official morning session as follows:
Spot tin, buyers 1495
Spot tin, sellers 1500
Business done at 1500
Three-months tin, buyers 1490
Three-months tin, sellers 1495
Business done at 1490-1495
Settlement 1490-1495
—United Press.

Offers Of Copra

New York, Feb. 26.
Sellers offered copra for near-by shipment at \$280 per short ton, C.I.F. the Pacific Coast. Cocunut oil was nominally unchanged at 20 1/2 cents a pound, C.I.F. the Pacific Coast.—United Press.

NEW TRADE AGREEMENT IN FORCE

Karachi, Feb. 26.
The trade agreement signed here between India and Pakistan yesterday came into effect today and is valid until June 30, 1952, it was officially announced.

According to the text of the agreement, which was issued simultaneously in Karachi and New Delhi, Pakistan will send 1,500,000 tons of food grains, including rice and wheat, to India, 120,000 tons of it before the end of next June, as well as an unlimited amount of raw cotton, 3,500,000 bales of raw jute, cow hides, sheep skins and other goods, including cottonseed and cottonseed oil-cakes.

In return India will send Pakistan 2,100,000 tons of coal, 25,000 tons of soft coke, 20,400 tons of pig iron, 100,000 tons of cement and other goods, including cotton goods, according to authoritative sources here.

The trade pact was concluded on the basis of India's recognizing Pakistan's under-valued rupee.

The Pakistan Government announced today that India had accepted at par value the Pakistan rupee. Exchange control between the two countries would begin tomorrow. — Reuter.

British Car Makers

Reassured

London, Feb. 26.
British car makers have been assured that their supplies of body steel will be allotted without further cuts for at least three months and perhaps six months.

Supplies of sheet steel were reduced by 15 percent recently. Supply Minister George Strauss told Parliament the automobile makers will get approximately 85 percent of deliveries through March and it is hoped to maintain supplies at the same level in the second quarter.—Associated Press.

FIRMER TONE IN LONDON

London, Feb. 26.
The Stock Exchange was mainly firmer today with sentiment improved as a result of the settlement of the railway dispute.

Gift-edged stocks were fractionally higher and gains of several pence were shown by industrials, particularly textiles, breweries and motors. Oils were quietly supported, and in the foreign section advances were recorded by German potash loans. Minings were mixed. Tins were firm but other metals were featureless. Rubbers moved irregularly.

The Financial Times' daily index was 122.0, up 0.3.—Associated Press.

Cotton Futures Suspension

New York, Feb. 26.
Cotton futures trading will remain suspended through Tuesday which will be the 26th session, the market has been closed since Jan. 27. Some quarters think that another week or two may elapse before the situation could begin to show any sign of change.—United Press.



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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27
Closing Times By Air:
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5 p.m.
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Siam, 5 p.m.
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Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.

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Formosa, 10 a.m.

5 p.m.
Siam, 5 p.m.
Formosa, 5 p.m.
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2
Closing Times By Air:
Siam, 5 p.m.

SEAMEN IMPORT GOLD RINGS

Pleading guilty to importing eight gold rings without a licence on February 26 aboard the mv Lee Hong, three seamen, Chan Hung, 23, Tsang Fung, 27, and Mo Hung, 35, and a 12-year-old boy were cautioned and discharged by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning. The rings were ordered to be confiscated. Revenue Inspector D. Knox said that the gold was found in three packets hidden inside a fire hose in the ship's bridge outside the chief engineer's room.

SIX MONTHS FOR GRAVE OFFENCE

Lai Sik-hung, 46, unemployed, was sent to prison for six months by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for having carnal knowledge of a 15-year-old unmarried girl at an unnumbered hut in Bay View District on December 21. The sentence starts from January 6, the date of defendant's arrest.

THE WOOL TOPPER for spring

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Duchess Of Windsor "Fine"

New York, Feb. 26. — The secretary of the Duchess of Windsor told the United Press on Monday that the condition of the Duchess was "very fine, but unfortunately we do not have the date of her return from hospital yet." The Duchess underwent an operation at Harkness Pavilion last week. United Press.

Simpson To The Rescue

(Continued from Page 1)
With the score at 240, and when it appeared that England's first innings would come to a close at any time Testers came in. Simpson was then 82. "Tattersall survived the last two balls from Iverson, although the last ball beat him completely and just cleared the stumps. Simpson pulled Miller's first ball to backward square leg for a clean four, and out the next one to backward point for two bringing his own score to 98. He played carefully the next three balls and to the sixth ball he stepped forward and drove beautifully to the midwicket for a three, to pass his century amidst tremendous cheers. He had given only one chance this morning, and a rather easy one while in his 80's. A hip-high cricket went to L. Johns in first slip, and as he had the ball in both hands before it slipped out. Collaring the bowling whenever possible and taking a risky single towards the end of every over, Simpson added 42 runs to his score in the remaining 35 minutes of play.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.02, Symphony Orchestra; 6.30, Cantata by Radio given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and S. K. Lee (Studio); 6.50, Mel Jones at the Piano; 7.00, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 7.15, Paul Whiteman and his Orchestra; 7.30, "Down Memory Lane"—Presented by Aileen Woods (Studio); 8.00, "From the Editor's Desk"—London Relay; 8.15, "The Editor's Desk"—London Relay; 8.30, Social Welfare in Hongkong—A series of talks arranged by the H.K. Council of Social Service. An introductory talk on Social Welfare in Hongkong by the Rev. Father T. F. Ryan, S.J., Chairman of the H.K. Council of Social Service (Studio); 8.45, "Letter from America" by Alvin Cooke (London Relay); 9.00, Symphony of Strings—Gerald and his String Quartet; 9.15, "Northern Lights"—Barn Dance—"A Saturday Night Party at Windyhope Farm in Northumberland"—J.B.D.C.S.; 9.30, Radio News Item (London Relay); 10.15, Weather Report; 10.16, World Theatre—Margaret Rawlings, Phyllis Nelson, Terry Rush, Grubb, and Andrew Cruikshank in a Radio Adaptation of "The Winter Tale" by William Shakespeare (Part 2) (H.K.T.S.); 11.02, March Weber and his Orchestra; 11.15, "Goodnight Music"; 11.20, Weather Report; 11.30, Close Down.

WRAC Band Rehearses



Bandmaster Fred Goddard of Aldershot, runs through the score of a piece of music with L/Cpl June Millard of Hitchin, Herts, and L/Cpl Hazel Johnson of Portsmouth, who are members of the woodwind section of the Women's Royal Army Corps band which has been augmented for display and concert appearances at the Festival of Britain this year.

Transport In Paris Tied Up By Strike

Paris, Feb. 26. The city's motor-bus and underground railway workers brought almost all public transport to a standstill today in a one-day demonstration strike against the Government's refusal to grant a 6,000 francs a month wage increase.

Even the private lorries and buses which usually run a "blackleg" service in transport strikes were off the road, the Ministry of Transport having refused them permission to increase their minimum charge from 30 to 40 francs.

After noon, non-strikers got five of the city's Metro lines working and passengers who had expected to pay increased fares from today found that travel was free. Ticket-clerks put up "no tickets for sale" notices and clippers serenely told travellers, "No tickets required."

Most stations were closed for lack of workers. Fares were to have been increased from 20 francs to 24 francs. Street traffic became more congested than usual as every one "with a bicycle or any other vehicle brought out by his own transport. Sixty army lorries replaced some of the bus services.

Later in the day the Ministry of Transport relented and allowed private lorry and bus owners to ply for passengers at 40 francs a head.

Several hundred vehicles were soon on the streets, crammed with standing passengers, there being no room to sit down. Taxi drivers did a roaring trade.

As transport on the surface improved, underground trains became fewer.

STANDING FIRM
Only one train was running on four of the five lines in partial operation and eight on the other—the important north-south line linking the stations of St Lazare and Montparnasse. Normally, 350 trains run on the Metro network.

At the headquarters of the Transport Authority in Paris it was stated that the re-starting of power supplies tomorrow would probably mean that services would only gradually return to normal.

The strike committee, grouping representatives of all unions, in a communique stressed "the firm will of the personnel of the Paris Transport Authority to secure their pay increase of 6,000 francs per month for all."

It was added that strike pickets had been reinforced. Reuter.

HART AVENUE SHOOTING

The Police have so far been unable to establish the identity of the man who was shot in Hart Avenue last night. Investigation is continuing and the Detective Branch in Kowloon are interviewing witnesses today, in an endeavour to find out the identity of the deceased. The unknown Chinese, whose age is estimated to be about 45, is believed to be a Northerner. He was killed shortly before 10 p.m. yesterday when he was shot from behind while walking near No. 4 Hart Avenue.

Rickshaw Coolie Gives Evidence In Moxon Trial

TESTIFIES SEEING MAN "THROWN IN AIR"

Further Crown evidence was adduced when the trial of Eric Douglas Vladimir Moxon, 23, merchant, charged with manslaughter, resumed before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Moxon is charged with having unlawfully killed Chan Fat-tak, 25, a pedestrian on October 10, 1950.

The Prosecution alleges that the deceased was knocked down by a motor car driven by the accused at a tramway island in Hennessy Road, Wanchai, in the early hours of October 8. Deceased died two days later as a result of the injuries received in the accident, the Prosecution further alleges.

Moxon is defended by Mr John McNeill, KC, and Mr S.V. Gittins, on the instructions of Mr J. C. Stewart.

Mr J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, is conducting the case for the Prosecution, assisted by Inspector J. S. Howarth.

In his evidence, Mr. Moxon said he knew deceased. He had tea with him at about 11.30 p.m. on October 7. After the meal they had a short talk on the roadway and as the hour was about 1 a.m. he had asked deceased to go home. Deceased was wearing a black silk suit and a raincoat at the time.

After they had parted, witness said he met Yau Man, a witness who testified yesterday, and had a talk with him. About 10 minutes later he heard the noise of a car and looking in the direction of a tramway island opposite Rediffusion he saw "some person being thrown in the air by a motor car." He rushed forward and found it was deceased.

KNOCKED DOWN

A moment or so before he first saw the car he had seen some person go to the tramway island from the road, and as he had stood on the island, the car knocked him down, said witness. The car was travelling very fast and after striking deceased it turned into Fenwick Street at increased speed.

Cross-examined by Mr McNeill, witness said that he had known deceased for about five or six years. Deceased who kept a barber shop had come from the Central district to see him that night and he had taken him out to tea.

It was about 10 minutes after deceased had left him when he first heard the crash, witness said. He did not find it strange when he discovered that deceased had not gone home earlier, because he did not know what deceased was doing.

Counsel suggested that the evidence of Yau Man, who had testified that he had been a passenger in the car which had knocked down deceased, was that the car was travelling very fast and after striking deceased it turned into Fenwick Street at increased speed.

The trial is proceeding.

Dr Fung In The Queen Mary

Dr Arthur Fung Hing-yau, who was critically wounded yesterday when he offered resistance to two armed robbers who entered his house at 23 Castle Peak Road, first floor, is now under-going treatment at the Queen Mary Hospital. He was transferred there from the Kowloon Hospital yesterday afternoon. This morning Dr Fung was reported to be still on the danger list.

Maximum Fine Imposed For Possession Of Penicillin

A maximum fine of \$1,000 was imposed on Ng Yik-cheung, 41, owner of the Mei Mei Shoo Coy, 87, Queen's Road Central, ground floor, by Mr Latimer at Central this morning for possession of 6,000 bottles of penicillin without a permit.

The 6,000 bottles of penicillin packed in eight large sealed boxes and 200 loose small boxes valued at \$20,000 in the black market rate were ordered to be confiscated to Government.

Defendant was cautioned on a charge of obstructing Det.-Sub-Insp. Baggott in the execution of his duty.

Insp. W. Gillies, prosecuting said that at 6.35 a.m. yesterday morning, Det. Sub-Insp. Baggott with a party of Police went to the first floor of No 42 Wellington Street, the residence of defendant. The door was knocked and answered but it was not opened until nine minutes later by defendant. The Police seized 6,000 bottles of penicillin powder concealed in various parts of the premises after a search was made. Defendant could not produce any document showing his right to possess the penicillin.

Insp. Gillies asked for a fine and confiscation of the drugs. He said the official price of the 6,000 bottles would worth about \$8,000.

Defendant claimed that it was not offence for possessing the drugs because as an importer he had been importing these kinds of drugs before.

800 Taels Of Gold Bars Confiscated

Gold bars weighing 800 taels were ordered to be confiscated by Mr d'Almada at Kowloon this morning and their owner, Chow Fook, a seaman on board a motor fishing junk, was fined \$100 for importing the gold without a licence.

Today's action was the result of an application for a review of sentence made by the defendant through Mr A. J. Clifford. At an early hearing last month defendant had his bail of \$500 estimated and his total amount of gold, weighing 890 taels, confiscated.

This morning, Mr Clifford explained that his client had been told that he should appear in Court to answer the charge, he would be fined considerably, besides suffer confiscation of the gold.

In mitigation, Mr Clifford explained that the gold represented the money the defendant received for the sale of a silk business which his family had owned in Canton until the arrival of the Communists. He took the gold to Macao and later to Hongkong, hoping to stay here. Mr Clifford asked the Court to take a lenient view because the defendant had an aged mother, a young wife and two children. He said the defendant took the gold to Hongkong knowing well that he was committing an offence but he took the risk of being discovered.

Mr d'Almada said that the defendant had admitted bringing the gold into Hongkong, knowing well that it was against the law, and had done so in the hope of salvaging the family fortune. He knew well that his action would involve the loss of the gold if caught. Mr d'Almada added that there were no mitigating circumstances other than family considerations. However, he remarked he would show some consideration in passing the sentence.

Revenue Inspector Millington revealed that a party of revenue officers intercepted the junk on January 23 coming from Macao. The gold was found hidden in the engine blocks of the vessel.

Radio Station Foreman's Lapse

Li Yuen, 38, a foreman employed at the Wireless Station in Hongkong, who was caught passing a small quantity of copper wire to a hawk on Monday afternoon was bound over in \$100 for 12 months by Mr. Wintz at Kowloon this morning for theft.

The hawk, Lai Por, 51, was also bound over in a similar amount.

Mr. Richard of the Wireless Station, told the Court that first defendant had been in the employ of the Station for more than three years and had a good record.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE ANSWERS

1. From former water-mark of a fool's head and cap and to have been used in place of the royal arms by Cromwell's Rump Parliament.
2. A light 2-wheeled carriage for one person.
3. In the fourth century at Caesarea, Palestine.
4. It is the second largest. 5. Venice.

Man Plays Joke On His Wife

For causing inconvenience to the Police authorities by effecting a public mischief, Lau Hak-yin, 23, unemployed, a native of Hupeh, was fined \$200 by Mr Latimer at Central this morning.

Det. Sub-Insp. Laurel, prosecuting, said that on February 20, Chang Ka-wai, wife of defendant, reported to the Police Station that her husband had been missing for two days. At the same time she produced a letter written to her by her husband in Chinese that he was detained against his own will and that a sum of \$10,000 was needed for his freedom. The Police thought it was kidnapping and feverish investigations were made, interrogations conducted and two men detained overnight.

A day or two later, defendant went to the Police Station with his wife and informed the Police that he had played a joke on his wife. According to the prosecution, defendant who was an overseas Chinese from Java; married his wife about two months ago in the Colony. He had borrowed \$1,600 from his mother-in-law. Recently defendant intended to go back to Java without taking his wife. His mother-in-law raked him the deposit \$5,000 as an assurance and to repay the \$1,600.

Defendant pleaded this morning that he did not think his wife would make a report to the Police and said that he was merely joking.

Hongkong Boy Scouts To Be Entertained

OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Hongkong Boy Scouts, visiting Britain in August for the London International Patrol Camp, will be entertained for part of their stay here by Boy Scouts in the North London suburb of Wood Green. This is to enable them to visit the Festival of Britain.

More than thirty different countries have already agreed to send Scouts to the Camp. Before it opens, guest patrols from the World Jamboree in Austria will spend a week in the homes of London Scouts.

Hosts and guests will then go on to camp in international patrols of from six to eight boys at Gilwell Park, just outside London.

The camp will consist of a headquarters and seven area sub-camps. The camp market square will include such services as a television tent, post office, bank and photographer.

A highlight of the camp will be a visit to Arsenal stadium. After a tour behind the scenes it is hoped that a team of senior Scouts will play a football match against an Arsenal eleven.

A camp badge has been designed, and a special hymn and a song are being written for the occasion.

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"Funny thing, but your relatives didn't visit us as much when we lived in that little cracker box on Elm Street and didn't know where our next meal was coming from."